

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/729,232	THOMAS, ROGER
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Shelley Self	3725

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Shelley Self. (3) _____.

(2) Joseph Key. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 19 December 2006.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1,3,5 and 14.

Identification of prior art discussed: Eichberger (5,815,934).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.



Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant discussed the conduit path as it relates to the recess or expulsion aperture and how the conduit and recess/expulsion aperture are directly connected to improve discharge of debris. Applicant stated that Eichberger's conduit and recess/expulsion aperture are separated by a wall and therefore not indirect contact. Application to delete claims 3 and 5 and to amended independent claims 1 and 14 to clearly define the direct connection between the conduit and the recess/expulsion aperture. Applicant to file a Terminal Disclaimer.